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Continuation of the Remarks on the Tragedy of the Unnatural Combat.

Mal. VIEW her well brave *Beaufort*,
But yet at a Diſtance, you hereafter may
Make your Approaches nearer, when the Prieſt
Hath made it lawful, and were not ſhe mine,
I durſt aloud proclaim it. *Hymen* never
Put on his ſaffron-colour'd Robe to change
A barren Virgin Name with more good Omens,
Than at her Nuptials; look on her again,
Then tell me if ſhe now appear the ſame
That ſhe was Yeſterday.
Beauf. ſen. Being herſelf
She cannot but be excellent, theſe rich
And curious Dreſſings, which in others might
Cover Deformities, from her take Luſtre,
Nor can add to her.
Mal. You conceive her right,
And in your Admiration of her Sweetneſs,
You only can deſerve her; bluſh not Girl,
Thou art above his Praiſe, or mine, nor can
Obſequious Flattery, tho' ſhe ſhould uſe
Her thouſand oil'd Tongues to advance thy Worth,
Give ought (for that's impoſſible) but take from
Thy more than human Graces, and even then
When ſhe hath ſpent herſelf with her beſt Strength,
The Wrong ſhe has done thee ſhall be ſo apparent,
That loſing her own ſervile Shape and Name,
She will be thought Detraction, but I
Forget myſelf, and ſomething whiſpers to me,
I have ſaid too much.

A farther Light is thrown on *Malefort*'s Sentiments, after the Banquet, in the following Speech.

Mal. Give me the Bowl, ſince you do me the Honour, I will begin it.
Cham. May we know her Name, Sir?
Mal. You ſhall; I will not chuſe a foreign Queen's,
Nor yet our own, for that would reliſh of
Tame Flattery; nor do their Hate of Title,
Or abſolute Power, confirm their Worth and Goodneſs,
Theſe being Heaven's Gifts, and frequently conferr'd
On ſuch as are beneath 'em; nor will I
Name the King's Miſtreſs howſoever ſhe
In his Eſteem may carry it, but if I,
As Wine gives Liberty, may uſe my Freedom;
Not ſway'd this Way, or that with Confidence,
(And I will make it good on any Equal)
If it muſt be to her, whoſe outward Form
Is better by the Beauty of her Mind,
She lives not that with Juſtice can pretend
An Intereſt to this ſo ſacred Health,
But my fair Daughter. He that only doubts it,
I do pronounce a Villain, this to her then. [*Drinks.*

After this the Action is interrupted, by the ſudden Appearance of one *Belgarde*, an humorous Soldier, who being forbid the Entertainment unleſs he chang'd his Dreſs, preſſes in in Armour, and makes ſo frank and bold an Apology for the Oddneſs, that I can't help falling into the ſame Error with the Author, and letting my Criticiſm pauſe to tranſcribe it.

Belg. Who ſtops me now?
Or who dares only ſay that I appear not
In the moſt rich and glorious Habit that
Renders a Man compleat? What Court ſo ſet off
With State and ceremonious Pomp, but thus
Accoutred I may enter? Or what Feaſt
Tho' all the Elements at once were ranſack'd,
To ſtore it with Variety tranſcending
The Curiouſneſs and Coſt on *Trojan*'s Birth-day,
(Where Princes only, and confederate Kings
Did ſit as Gueſts, ſerv'd, and attended on
By the Senators of *Rome*, ſat with a Soldier
In this his natural and proper Shape
Might not and boldly fill a Seat, and by
His Preſence make the great Solemnity
More honour'd and remarkable?
[*The reſt another Time.*]

On BELINDA's *Canary-Bird.*

I.

DElightful, airy, ſkippping Thing,
To charm by Nature taught,
How canſt thou, thus impriſon'd, ſing,
And ſwell thy downy Throat?

II.

Divine would be the Poet's Lay
Breath'd with that melting Air,
With which thy warbling Voice repays
Thy beauteous Feeder's Care.

III.

Perhaps the Favours of her Hand
Theſe happy Strains infuſe,
And I might Notes as ſweet command,
Rais'd by ſo fair a Muſe.

IV.

The Influence of her radiant Eye,
And her reviving Smiles,
The Abſence of that Sun ſupply,
Which chears thy native Iſles.

V.

Bleſt Iſles! where with ſuch kindly Rays
On Birds and Trees he ſhines,
We thence enjoy ſeraphick Lays,
And thence cœleſtial Wines!

VI.

See the enliven'd Liquor riſe
As dancing to her Song!
And Virtue with the Muſick vies,
As ſweet, as clear, as ſtrong.

VII.

Had but thoſe Foreſts *Orpheus* drew,
Clos'd in their Shades a Bird
Of equal Harmony with you,
No Tree of Taſte had ſtir'd.

VIII.

The Groves had liſten'd to the Tongue
Of their own feather'd Choir,
Nor on the vocal Strings had hung,
But on their Boughs the Lyre.

An Imitation of Mrs. HARRIS's *Petition.*
By Dr. Swift.

PRAY, good Mr. Parſon, hands off; methinks you are very free: How dare you?
Who deſires theſe Favours, as you think 'em, not I, I aſſure you?
The Bell rings to Prayers, you hear, and know my Mother will chide.
To ſay Prayers and Graces is all the Buſineſs of you holy Men; you are hir'd for nothing beſide.
Some People ſoon forget their Diſtance; and learn, I find, to be familiar;
But were all Women of my Mind—We reſpect your Cloth indeed, but you ſhould know who ſtill you are.
I wonder at the C——ſs of ——, and ſeveral Ladies more;
For if I ſet myſelf to think, I believe I could name half a Score.
What Charms they could ſee in old tatter'd Crape, a ſanctified Fiz, and a Band:
'Tis a Scandal for a Gentlewoman to be a Parſon's Wife in this Land.
They might in their Garrets live for me long enough, and with Pride remember,
That they're the higheſt Servants in the Houſe, but ne'er ſhould come within my Chamber.
Fie, forbear your impertinent Airs. What do you think the People will ſay?
I'll give them no Reaſon to call my Prudence in Queſtion, and ſuppoſe with the Chaplain I'm running away.
Look, the Houſe-keeper ſees; Mother's Woman peeps out at the Window:
O Gad, I ſhall have my Tea ſpoil'd every Morning if they once think I befriend you.
Mr. *Funn*, of Fat-gooſes living, is ſo old and weak, I heard my Brother ſay,
That he now only ſmokes two Ounces, and drinks a Quart of Brandy in a Day.
If the good Man ſhou'd die, the Parſonage is deſign'd for you,
To portion Mrs. *Nab*; ſhe has but a Child or two.
Then you may ſleep, ſtudy, diſdain, keep your Chariot and a Pair:
She can pickle and preſerve; you may drink and ſmoke like other Folk, and a ſhining Beaver wear.

The following Prayer has been printed and diſperſed in ſeveral Cities of *Germany*, by Order of their ſupreme Magiſtrates.

The Prayer of his Serene Highneſs Prince Eugene, *Generaliſſimo of his* Imperial *Majeſty's Forces on the* Rhine, *which he daily uſeth with great Devotion.*

I Believe in thee, O my God! Do thou ſtrengthen my Faith; I hope in thee, confirm my Hopes: I love thee, inflame my Love more and more: I repent of all my Sins, but do thou increaſe my Repentance!

As my firſt Beginning I worſhip thee, as my laſt End I long for thee: As my eternal Benefactor I praiſe thee, and as my ſupreme Protector I pray unto thee.

That it may pleaſe thee, O Lord, to guide and lead me by thy Providence, to keep me in Obedience by thy Juſtice, to comfort me by thy Mercy, and to protect me by thy Almighty Power.

I ſubmit unto thee all my Thoughts, Words and Deeds, as well as my Afflictions, Pains and Sufferings, and I deſire to have thee always in my Mind, to do all my Works in thy Name, and for thy Sake to bear all Adverſity with Patience.

I will nothing, but that thou wilt, O God! becauſe 'tis agreeable unto thee. O give me Grace that I may be attentive in my Prayer, temperate in my Diet, vigilant in my Conduct, and unmoveable in all good Purpoſes.

Grant, moſt merciful Lord, that I may be true and faithful to thoſe that have intruſted me with their Secrets; that I may be courteous and kind towards all Men, and that both in my Words and Actions, I may ſhew unto them a good Example.

Diſpoſe my Heart to admire and praiſe thy Goodneſs, to hate all Errors and evil Works, to love my Neighbour, and to deſpiſe the World.

Aſſiſt me, good God, in ſubduing Luſt by Mortification, Covetouſneſs by Liberality, and Anger by Mildneſs, and Lukewarmneſs by Zeal and Fervency.

Enable me to conduct myſelf with Prudence in all Tranſactions, and to ſhew Courage in Danger, Patience in Adverſity, and in Proſperity an humble Mind.

Let thy Grace illuminate my Underſtanding, direct my Will, ſanctify my Body, and bleſs my Soul.

Make me diligent in curbing all irregular Affections, zealous in imploring thy Grace, careful in keeping thy Commandments, and conſtant in working out my own Salvation.

Finally, O God, make me ſenſible how little is the World, how great thy Heavens, how ſhort Time, and how long will be the bleſſed Eternity!

O that I may well prepare myſelf for Death! That

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I may dread thy Judgments, that I may avoid the Torments of Hell, and obtain of thee, O God! eternal Life, thro' the Merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SATURDAY, *December* 28.

THE Corpse of Mr. *Thorp*, a Distiller in *Soho*, who died a few Days since, said to be worth 10,000 l. was put into a Coffin, quilted within with white Satten; and after several Yards of fine Linnen were wrapt about his Body, he had a Shirt put on of the same, ruffled at the Hands and Bosom; on his Head was a Cap of the same Holland ty'd with a white Satten Ribband; he had about his Neck two Yards of Cambrick, the End twisted and laid upon his Bosom; a Cambrick Handkerchief between his Hands, on which he had a Pair of white Kid Gloves; and on his Legs a Pair of white Cotton Stockings; and in this Manner lay in State some Days, and was buried in *Buckinghamshire*.

We have receiv'd the following Account of Damages done by the late foul Weather on the Coast of *Northumberland*, *viz. Robert Lombit*, Master of the *Goodwill* of *Sunderland*, and one of his Sailors, were wash'd over board and lost; as was *John Robson*, Master of the *Edward* of *Shields*: And the *Joseph* and *Patience* of *London*, Capt. *Watson*, after having lost her Main-Mast, was drove ashore and sunk on the *Herd Sand*.

Last Tuesday Night a Fellow brought a Letter to Mrs. *Miller*, on *Maize-Hill*, *Greenwich*, and told her, that if she did not answer what was there requested, she must take what followed. The Contents were, 'That she 'must lay ten Guineas in a Hole, which they had made 'in the Ground, and covered with a Brick at the third 'Post, before her Door, that Night or the Night following; on Failure of which, they would break open her 'House, rifle it, and set it on Fire; that there were Nine 'of them in Number, all resolute Fellows, who had 'sworn to stand by one another: And if she set a Watch 'to frustrate their Design, they were resolved to take her 'Son and Heir from her by Force, and carry him to the '*West-Indies*, and sell him.'

Her Son is but four Years old, and is Heir to an Estate of 1500 l. a Year; the House is now guarded by some Montrasses, belonging to the Magazine near that Place, as well as by several Persons hired for that Purpose.

A few Days since about one hundred Yards of the North East End of the Island of *Portland*, sunk into the Sea, by which the Pier is in a great Measure destroyed, at least, it is computed that 4000 l. will not make good the Damage. The Sinking of this Point of Land has occasioned a Crack a considerable Distance in the Island, which greatly alarmed the neighbouring Inhabitants.

MONDAY, *December* 30.

On Saturday last a Woman in *Crown-Alley*, *Upper-Moorfields*, being deliver'd by herself of a Female Child, threw it out of a Window three Stories high, whereby its Skull was so fractur'd, that it died immediately; the Woman was directly seiz'd, in Order for Examination before a Magistrate.

On Wednesday Night last about Ten o'Clock, Mr. *Seedo*, Organist of St. *Martin's*, the *French* Church in *Cannon-street*, was attack'd by four Fellows dress'd like Sailors near *Doctor's-Commons*, one of whom clapt his Hand on Mr. *Seedo's* Mouth, another took hold of him by the Throat and tore his Shirt and Stock, while the other two search'd his Pockets and robb'd him of 5 l. 5 s. and a Pair of Gloves, then went off singing the *Black Joke*. After they were gone, Mr. *Seedo* call'd out to the Watch to assist him in searching for the Rogues, which they and the Constable refus'd to do, tho' he told them what had happen'd.

We have an Account from *Liverpool*, that among other Damages done there by the late tempestuous Weather, a Windmill adjacent to that Town was blown down, and 'tis suppos'd the Fire in the Grate being thrown about by the Shock, immediately set Fire to the Mill, which was soon consum'd, and with it the Miller himself, there being found among the Ruins only his Skull and a few other Bones.

'Tis remarkable, that a few Years ago a Windmill was destroy'd by Lightning at the same Place.

They write from *Petersburg* of the 7th Instant, that 'in a Council of the Admiralty, held in the Presence of the Empress, it was resolv'd to have 18,300 Seamen in the *Baltick*, and 6000 in the *Caspian* Sea, for the next Year's Service; and M. *l'Estang* having found more Honour in the *Russian* Court than he expected to meet with, was preparing to return back to *France* as wise as when he left it.

From *Holland* they give us a Piece of *English* News, which we have not heard of before, that the Count *de Montijo*, his *Catholick* Majesty's Ambassador, had receiv'd an Express from his Court some Days ago, acquainting him, that the Marquis *de St. Giles*, the *Spanish* Ambassador to the States General, was, besides an Accommodation, to propose a Treaty of Commerce between their High-Mightinesses and *Don Carlos*; and that it was said the Count *de Montijo* is charg'd to make the same Proposition to the Court of *Great Britain*.

We learn from *Rome*, that the Pope finding the King of *Spain* determin'd, with relation to the Dispensation of Age which he demands, to enable *Don Lewis* his youngest Son to enjoy the Archbishoprick of *Toledo*, has done with the Difficulties he at first pretended, and grows every Day more and more complying: And that his Holiness having thrown off all Pretext of Religion and the Honour of the Church, is come to the Point, and wants to know what his *Catholick* Majesty intends to give him for so valuable an Indulgence.

Letters from *Warsaw* take Notice of a very popular Act lately done by King *Augustus*: It seems the great Treasurer of the Crown Count *Ossalinsky* (who was one of the *Polish* Lords taken in *Dantzick*) notwithstanding his Submission and the Oath he took to that Prince, withdrew a short Time ago to King *Stanislaus*, and order'd his Effects to be privately sent after him by Sea; these consisted of 120 Chests of Plate, Money and Jewels, and were put on board a Ship at *Dantzick*, bound to *Konigsberg*, but she was unhappily cast away upon the Coasts of *Poland*, so that the Count's Treasure fell into the Hands of the *Russians*, and proper Notice of it was immediately sent to the Court of *Warsaw*; but his Majesty refus'd to touch a Farthing of the Prize, and ordered the Whole to be divided amongst the Troops.

Preferments. His Majesty has been pleased to issue his Conge d'Elire to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *Gloucester*, for electing *Martin Benson*, D. D. to be Bishop of that See, void by the Death of Dr. *Elias Sydall*.——His Majesty has also been pleased to issue his Conge d'Elire to the Dean and Chapter of *Bristol*, for electing *Thomas Secker*, Doctor of Laws, to be Bishop of that See, void by the Translation of the Right Rev. Dr. *Cecil*, to the Bishoprick of *Bangor*. The Rev. Dr. *Secker* is to hold his Prebend of *Durham*, together with the Rectory of St. *James's*, *Westminster*, in Commendam.

Bankrupts. Richard Cosborne, of *Soham*, in the County of *Cambridge*, Grocer, Tallow-Chandler, Farmer and Chapman.——*John Swinden*, of the Parish of St. *Saviour's*, *Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*, Brewer.

TUESDAY, *December* 31.

Last Week a sad Accident happen'd at *Hammersmith* to a rich Citizen's Child, who was ill of the Small Pox at Nurse; the Nurse being sent for from home, the Child in the mean Time fell into the Fire, and was burnt to Death.

Philip Gybbon, Esq; Member of Parliament for *Rye* in *Sussex*, is talk'd of as a Candidate for Speaker to the House of Commons; Mr. *Sandys's* Election being contested, that Gentleman cannot put up for that high Office.

On Friday last a Gentleman arrived here with a Character from his Highness Prince *Frederick* of *Hesse-Cassel*, with Design, as 'tis said, to propose a Marriage between Prince *William* his Son, and one of the Princesses.

Yesterday the Lady of the Hon. *Henry Pelham*, Esq; Brother to his Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, and Pay-Master General of his Majesty's Land-Forces, was safely delivered of a Daughter.

On *Christmas-Day* a handsome Monument was opened in *Westminster-Abbey*, near that of Sir *Godfrey Kneller*, and almost opposite to her Father's, *John Smith*, late of *Beaufort-Buildings*, Esq; on which is the following Inscription, *viz.*

'Here lies the Right Hon. *Anne* Countess Dowager of '*Clanrickard*, eldest Daughter of *John Smith*, Esq; who 'is interr'd near this Place. She married first, *Hugh Parker*, Esq; eldest Son of Sir *Henry Parker* of *Honnington* 'in the County of *Warwick*, Bart. by whom she had 'the present Sir *Henry John Parker*, Bart. three Sons 'and three Daughters. By her second Husband, *Michael* 'Earl of *Clanrickard*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, the 'Head of the antient and noble Family of the *Burkes*, 'she had *Smith*, now Earl of *Clanrickard*, and two 'Daughters, Lady *Anne* and Lady *Mary*. She died the '1st Day of *January*, 1732, in the 49th Year of her 'Age.'

Over the Monument is the Arms of the Noble Family of *Clanrickard*, with this remarkable Motto, *Un Roy, un Foy, un Loy.*

On Sunday the Land Floods from the Upper Countries came down with such a strong Torrent, and meeting the Tide, that the *Thames* overflow'd its Banks on *Southwark* Side, and fill'd the lower Floors of the Houses in and about *New Thames-street* with Water, and the Cellars quite full; so that the Damage done thereby must be considerable.

The late heavy Rains have laid most Part of the low Lands in this Kingdom under Water, and in some Places the Floods are so great that there is no travelling for Man or Beast: Especially from *Staffordshire* they write, (a County abounding with Rivers) that their Meadow-Lands are cover'd with Water for several Miles about. 'Tis thought this will very much incommode many of the Members now on the Point of setting out for *London* to attend the Service of Parliament, especially those in *Scotland* and the remote Parts of *England*, where we hear 'tis impossible to travel without great Hard of their Lives.

On Sunday Morning last as a *Gravesend* Boat was coming up the River, the Master was blown over-board, and after rising twice, his Boy (there being no other Person in the Boat) catch'd hold of him, but had not Strength to lift him in; however he kept his Head above Water whilst he made a Noose in a Rope, which he put over his Arm, and then fastening it to the Stern of the Boat, tow'd him near a Mile, and brought him ashore at *West Thurrock Salts* near *Grays*: After a little Time the Man came to himself, and is in a fair Way of Recovery.

They write from *Bristol*, that the *Bath Snow*, lately arrived there from *Carolina*, brings an Account of the Murder of Capt. *Gordon*, Commander of the *Scipio* belonging to *Bristol*, who sail'd thence for *Africa*, and from thence with a Cargo of Negro Slaves to *Carolina*. The Occasion of this unhappy Accident is related thus: The *Scipio's* Men being in Debt to the Punch-Houses, and the Occupiers thereof not being able to get their Money, complain'd thereof to the Governor for Redress, who thereupon ordered a Man of War's Boat to go on board the *Scipio* and bring off the Men, in order to make Satisfaction to the Complainants: But upon the Boat's Crew demanding them, Capt. *Gordon* very civilly made Answer he could not possibly comply with their Demand, by Reason he was just going to sail. His Men being all in the great Cabbin for their better Security, the Boat row'd to the Ship's Stern, and fired into the Cabin Windows, and Capt. *Gordon*, who was then in the Cabin, unfortunately receiv'd a Musket-Ball into his Left Breast and thro' his Shoulder, and died immediately.

The *Moorhill*, in her Passage from *Virginia*, lost her Head, Boats, and five of her Men, which were wash'd over-board in the late bad Weather.

The *Dove*, Capt. *Claesson*, bound from *Belfast* to *Bremen*, is lost on the Coast of *Wales*. The Country People made a Wreck of the Vessel, but Part of her Cargo is saved by the Officers of the Customs.

Yesterday the four Malefactors mentioned in our former were executed at *Tyburn*: Great Interest was made to procure a Reprieve for *Aaron Pritchard*, condemn'd for robbing his Master, Mr. *Hebert*, and a Petition sign'd by several Persons of Distinction on his Behalf was on Saturday last presented to his Majesty by a very great Man, but to no Purpose; his Majesty declaring the unhappy Affair of Mr. *Cantillon* was too recent, and many other Instances of Servants robbing their Masters too frequent, so that he was resolv'd to discourage such vile Practices for the future; for nothing could be more base than for Servants, in whom their Masters confide, to rifle and plunder them whilst they ought to guard and protect them from such Injuries.

Preferment. The Rev. Mr. *Thomas Cook*, A. B. Fellow of St. *Peter's* College, *Cambridge*, is presented to the Rectory of *Black Notley*, in the County of *Essex* and Diocese of *London*, vacant by the Death of Dr. *Barton*, the last Incumbent.

WEDNESDAY, *January* 1.

Our Neighbours in *Holland* say, that his *British* Majesty intends to invite the States-General to stand Godfather to the Prince or Princess, of which her Royal Highness the Princess of *Orange* shall be brought to Bed; and that the Queen is to be Godmother.

We hear that Counsellor *Strange* is retain'd as Council in above 50 Petitions, for undue Elections and Returns in this present Parliament.

The River *Thames* was so high on Monday Evening last at *Hammersmith-Wash*, that it overflowed the Foot Way four Inches; and the Foot Way is above the Horse Way more than four Feet; which for some Time made it unpassable there. So great a Flood has not happen'd these six Years, as at present, which has overflow'd the Banks of the *Thames* almost every where.

They write from *Persia* of a Piece of Perfidy which was lately committed there, and for which *Thamas Kouli Kan* had already taken his Satisfaction of the Aggressor. This General having a Person whom he thought his Friend, and had rais'd from the Dregs of the Soldiery to a high Command in the Army, sent him to the Province of *Candahar*, to raise a Body of 14,000 Forces, which that Officer having succeeded in, seduced them with fair Promises to declare against *Thamas* in favour of the Sophy dethron'd; but *Thamas Kouli Kan* soon learnt the Treachery

of his Creature, and flew with a Body of Light Horſe to *Candahar*, where he defeated the Rebels, and took the Traitor Priſoner, cauſing his Eyes to be pluck'd out of his Head, and his Body afterwards to be drawn at a Horſe's Tail thro' the Streets of the City of *Iſpahan*.

Yeſterday Morning between Nine and Ten o'Clock, *William Williams*, the Soldier, was carried from *Newgate* thro' *Fleet-ſtreet* to the *Strand*, where a Gallows was erected facing *Somerſet-Houſe*; and after Execution, his Body was conveyed to *Turnham-Green*, and hung in Chains.

On Saturday laſt the Secretary to the Band of Gentlemen-Penſioners did, by Order of the Duke of *Montagu* their Captain, diſpatch circular Letters to the ſaid Gentlemen, ſignifying his Grace's Pleaſure to revive the antient Rules and Orders that were practis'd at the Time of the firſt Inſtitution of the Band in the Reign of King *Henry* VII. *viz.* that five of the ſaid Gentlemen-Penſioners ſhall attend conſtantly every Day in the Anti Chambers of the Palace, where his Majeſty ſhall be reſident, from Ten in the Forenoon till Three in the Afternoon, the uſual Time of his Majeſty's retiring to go to Dinner, and on every Drawing-Room Night from Eight till Twelve.

This Notice hath greatly alarm'd the whole Band, who having hitherto look'd upon their Places as a Sort of *Sine Cure*, and made their Diſpoſitions accordingly, we hear they will petition his Majeſty to be reliev'd in the Premiſſes.

Bankrupts. Frederick Leucam, late of *London*, Merchant.——*Samuel Daniel*, of *Colcheſter*, in the County of *Eſſex*, Grocer and Milliner.

THURSDAY, *January* 2.

Yeſterday the following ODE for the New Year, compos'd by *Colley Cibber*, Eſq; Poet-Laureat, was perform'd before the Royal Family in the Old Council Chamber at St. *James*'s.

CHORUS.

HAPPY *Britain*, raiſe thy Voice,
Lift thy thankful Heart to Heaven,
Sound to Nations round thy Joys,
Joys from *George*'s Scepter given:
George his People's Pride and Prayer,
Pours the Bleſſings of his Reign,
Conſtant as the circling Year,
Ending only to begin.

Recitativo.

O may this opening Senate's Voice
Deſerve the Dignity of Choice:
When Pow'r or Liberty are weigh'd,
May Wiſdom hold the Balance even;
May neither native Rights invade,
Or heated to Extremes be driven.
So fruitleſs Faction ſhall her Views give o'er,
Nor envy Loyalty the Toil of Power.

AIR.

While waſting Wars o'er *Europe* ſweep,
Fair *Albion*'s Fields dread no Alarm;
Here Peace and Plenty, Arm in Arm,
Secure like Child and Parent ſleep.
Thus ſhall our ſmiling Land at Reſt,
See Diſcontent compell'd enjoy
The *Halcyon* Days ſhe would deſtroy,
And *George*'s gentle Sway confeſt.

Recitativo.

If *Britons* ſtill your Hopes are higher,
Attend and gratify Deſire:
While from the Throne we hear the gracious Voice
Thus lead our Wiſhes and inſtruct our Choice.

AIR.

Upon his People's firm Affection
Depends the Glory of his Crown;
And while their Rights receive Protection,
More ſtrongly guarded are his own.
The Streams of Power and beſt Allegiance
Thus ſweetly flow from mutual Truſt;
Secure the Subject in Obedience,
Glorious the Prince when greatly juſt.

Recitativo.

Henceforth let no Diſtinction
Reproach or Merit give to Men;
Unleſs of ſuch as would ſubvert
Our Church and State, or both ſupport.

AIR.

But if 'tis a Glory to be
A Nation rich, hardy and free;
Averſe unprovok'd to annoy,
Yet wrong'd to give Battle with Joy;
Of all Nature's Bleſſings poſſeſt,
Yet 'tis our chief Glory confeſt,
That *Britons* this Happineſs know,
And *George*, only *George* can beſtow.

CHORUS.

Happy *Britain*, &c.

Yeſterday being *New-Year's-Day*, the forty Blue-Coat-Boys belonging to the Royal Mathematical School in *Chriſt's-Hoſpital*, founded by King *Charles* the Second, educated by Mr. *James Hodgſon*, F. R. S. were preſented to his Majeſty, according to annual Cuſtom, by Sir *Francis Child*, the Preſident, attended by the Treaſurer and ſeveral of the Governors.

And this Day they were preſented to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales*; and afterwards to the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury; and alſo the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, for their Approbation.

Yeſterday a very curious Marble Statue of King *William* III. was ſet up in the Great Hall of the *Bank*, on which Occaſion the under Servants fir'd three Volleys with Small Arms juſt as it was fix'd upon its Pedeſtal. The following is a Tranſlation of the *Latin* Inſcription under it:

For reſtoring Efficacy to the Laws,
Authority to the Courts of Juſtice
Dignity to the Parliament,
To all his Subjects their Religion and Liberties,
And
For confirming theſe to Poſterity
By the Succeſſion of the Illuſtrious Houſe of *Hanover*
To the *Britiſh* Throne:
To the beſt of Princes, WILLIAM III.
Founder of the *Bank*,
This Corporation, from a Senſe of Gratitude,
Has erected this Statue,
And dedicated it to his Memory,
In the Year of our Lord MDCCXXXIV.
And the Firſt Year of this Building.

Yeſterday a Gentleman in Town received a Letter from his Son, in the Service of the Prince and Princeſs of *Orange* at the *Hague*, with Advice, that their Highneſſes had been much alarm'd by a Fire which broke out in the Houſe where they reſided, occaſion'd by a Beam in the Chimney taking Fire; that the People remov'd great Part of the Goods; but before they had finiſh'd, it was happily extinguiſh'd without doing any conſiderable Damage; and that their Serene Highneſſes, being pretty well recover'd from the Surprize, were in good Health when the Letter came away.

On Tueſday Brigadier *Churchill*'s Running Footman ran againſt the Lady *Molesworth*'s, from the upper End of St. *James*'s-*ſtreet* to *Edgworth* Gate, for a conſiderable Wager, which was won by General *Churchill*'s Footman with great Eaſe, he performing in an Hour and five Minutes; 'tis computed to be about 11 Miles.

The ſame Day a Maſter Brickmaker driving his own Cart along *Goſwell-ſtreet*, and riding on the Shafts to avoid the dirty Road, met with another Cart, which joſtling him threw him off the Shafts, and the Wheel going over him he was kill'd on the Spot: He liv'd at *Iſlington*, and has left a Wife and three or four ſmall Children behind him.

Laſt Week a Gentleman and a Lady coming to a famous Bagnio near *Covent-Garden*, to regale themſelves in the Evening, found Means to carry off Linnen, *&c.* to the Value of 8 l. beſides a Suit of Clothes belonging to a Gentleman, and got off undiſcover'd.

Some Days before a Silver Chamberpot of conſiderable Value was ſtolen from the ſame Bagnio, and by the ſame Means.

Letters from *Falmouth* of the 29th of *December* ſay, that the *Night Hawk*, *Hatchet*, from *Newfoundland*, having ſtruck on the Rock of *Scilly*, the Cargo being Oil ſav'd her from ſinking; but the Boat and two Men were waſh'd over-board.

We have an Account from *Cumberland*, that about ſix Weeks ago, a Parcel of Figs (about a Pound) came with a Letter to Mr. *Crowle*, Officer of the Cuſtoms at *Whitehaven*, which being ſigned in the Name of a Perſon unknown to him, he ſuſpected ſome ill Deſign, and got ſeveral Apothecaries to examine the Figs, who upon opening them, found a Piece of Opium about the Bigneſs of a Pea in each Fig, there being enough in the Whole to kill ſix or ſeven Men. A Perſon has made Oath before a Magiſtrate, that he verily believes the Letter to be the Hand-writing of *George Harriſon* of *Bridekirk* in the ſaid County, for that he taught him Arithmetick, and is acquainted with his Writing; and the Perſon to whom he deliver'd them, in order to be left at the Poſt-Houſe in *Cockermouth*, has upon Oath deſcribed the Perſon from whom he received them, which agrees with the Perſon of the ſaid *George Harriſon*. Mr. *Crowle* therefore endeavoured to get him apprehended, but found he was fled, and has promis'd to give five Guineas to thoſe who ſecure him. He is a tall thin Man, about 22 Years old, with dark-brown lank Hair, and pitted with the Small-Pox.

Death. On Sunday laſt died Capt. *Weygham*, Commander of the *Griffin* Fireſhip.

FRIDAY, *January* 3.

We learn from the *Hague*, that the *French* Ambaſſador, the Marquis *de Fenelon*, has intimated to the Deputies and Miniſters engag'd in the Conferences there, that altho' the King his Maſter could not give a categorical Anſwer to the laſt Propoſitions till the Princes his Allies had been conſulted, yet he had order'd him to declare ſo far, that his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty requir'd nothing more on his Part but to ſee King *Staniſlaus* ſettled upon the Throne of *Poland*; and that the Emperor, as Author of the War, would reimburſe him the Expences he has been at; and that when this was done, he was ready to ſurrender up *Philipſburg*, &c. to the Empire: That as for *Italy*, he left it to the Emperor to unravel the Clue with the Kings of *Spain* and *Sardinia*; but that he could not begin any Negotiation ſeparate from his Allies.

By Yeſterday's Poſt came an Account from *Madrid*, that in the Night between the 24th and 25th of *December* laſt, N. S. the King of *Spain*'s fine Palace over-againſt the Bridge of *Segovia* in *Madrid* was unfortunately ſet on Fire, and that the Flames burnt with ſuch Rapidity, that the ſaid Palace, and all the valuable Furniture thereof, were conſum'd to Aſhes, together with the moſt exquiſite Collection of Pictures in *Europe*. The Loſs ſuſtain'd by this Misfortune is computed at ſeveral Pieces of Millions of Eight; but how it happen'd is yet unknown.

They write from *Haſtings* in *Suſſex*, that there was lately brought to the Warehouſe at that Port, by Mr. *John Parnell* the Surveyor, and other Officers of the Cuſtoms, twenty-eight Bags, containing near eight hundred Weight of Tea, which they ſeiz'd at *Cliff's-End*, and which belong'd to the Smuglers, who are very numerous in thoſe Parts.

We hear from *Langdale* in *Weſtmoreland* of an extraordinary Piece of Antiquity being diſcovered the 24th paſt, in the Houſe of one *William Benſon* of *Thrang* in that Neighbourhood, who removing a Wainſcot Bedſtead from one Room to another, found carved on the Head of it I. B. 1274, and tho' ſo old yet appeared to be as firm and ſound as it was at firſt putting up.

A 250,000 l. Loan is ſubſcribed at the Bank by Licence from his Majeſty.

The laſt Letters from *Jamaica* adviſe, that the rebellious Negroes were got to a ſurpriſing Head, and increas'd daily by the Deſertion of their Brethren from the ſeveral Plantations, notwithſtanding all the Efforts uſed by the Inhabitants to prevent it; and that the long-expected Troops from *Gibraltar* not being then arriv'd, the Aſſembly had made a Martial Law, which oblig'd all the Inhabitants without reſpect of Perſons, capable of bearing Arms, to appear in the Defence of the Iſland, which was threaten'd with total Deſtruction if not quickly prevented; ſo that all Buſineſs there was at a Stand. Theſe Savages have burnt and deſtroy'd moſt of the Plantations bordering upon them; but it was hoped the white Men, being now all under Arms, would be able (if not to ſubdue them) to prevent their further Ravages till the wiſh'd for Succours arriv'd.

The *Deal* Boats which went out after the *Neptune*, Capt. *Parker* who parted with her Anchors and drove to Sea, brought aſhore the Captain and all the Men except two, who being intoxicated with Liquor would not leave the Ship, which was ſoon after loſt and the Men both drown'd.

There were only 27 Maleſactors executed during the Year 1734, *viz.* nine for the Highway, ſix for Houſe-breaking, four for Murder, four for privately ſtealing, one for Horſe-ſtealing, and three burnt for High-Treaſon.

Deaths. On Wedneſday died, at his Seat at *Baſingbourne-Hall* in the County of *Eſſex*, *John Kendal*, Eſq; F. R. S. in the Commiſſion of the Peace for that County, and elder Brother to *Robert Kendal*, Eſq; Alderman of this City.——Yeſterday died Mr. *Haddin*, Clerk of the Clothworkers Company.—— On Wedneſday died Mr. *John Pycroft*, an eminent Brewer in the *Minories*.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Vienna, Dec. 25. N. S.

WE are now aſſured that the Declaration by which his Majeſty has accepted the Mediation of the Maritime Powers imports principally, 'That if their good 'Offices do not meet with the deſired Succeſs, and if 'Peace cannot be re-eſtabliſh'd this Winter, his *Imperial* 'Majeſty hopes that thoſe two Powers will furniſh him 'with thoſe Succours in the Spring, which they are 'obliged to by their Treaties.'

Franckfort, Jan. 2. An Order has been publiſh'd concerning the *Hanoverian* Troops who have taken up their Winter-Quarters here: Thoſe of *France* keep very quiet on the Frontiers; and the Mortality ſtill continues to rage among thoſe who ſerv'd at the Siege of *Philipſburg*.

Peterſburg, Dec. 14. A Courier arrived here a few Days ago from *Perſia*, with Advice that *Thamas Kouli Kan* had taken the Town of *Schamachia* in *Georgia*, entirely defeated a Body of 8000 *Turks* and *Tartars* that endeavour'd to oppoſe his Progreſs, and made himſelf Maſter of almoſt all that vaſt Province: If this News is important, that from *Conſtantinople* is much more ſo, the laſt Letters from thence ſaying, that M. *Nepleuf*, her *Imperial* Majeſty's Miniſter there, has had frequent Conferences with the Grand Vizir, who continues to receive him with a diſtinguiſhing Politeneſs and Regard; that the Miniſters of ſome certain Powers of *Europe* had made ſuch good Uſe of their Oratory, as to convince the Grand Vizir of the little Benefit the *Ottoman* Port would reap from a Rupture with any of the *Chriſtian* Princes; and that the Grand Seignior continues in the Reſolution to keep his Treaties with them inviolable; ſo that we have nothing to fear from that Side; from whence we are inform'd the Plague is broke out again in *Conſtantinople*, and carries off above 300 Perſons every Day. We expect an Ambaſſador here very ſoon from *Perſia*. The Veldt Marſhal Count *Munich* is to return to *Warſaw*, to aſſiſt at the approaching Dyet of Pacification, in Quality of Commiſſioner and Plenipotentiary from her *Imperial* Majeſty; and M. *Beſtuchef*, who is named Ambaſſador to *Denmark*, has had a Preſent of 12,000 Rubles made him by the Empreſs. The Treaty of Commerce that has been ſo long on the Tapis between this Empire and *Great Britain*, is at laſt happily concluded. Fifteen thouſand *Ruſſians* are to march to the Emperor's Aſſiſtance next Spring.

Vienna. Dec. 22. The Council of War has diſpatch'd the neceſſary Orders for forming a new Camp between *Pilſen* and *Eger* in *Bohemia*; and circular Letters have alſo been ſent from the Chancellery to the Eccleſiaſtical Princes, Biſhops, and Abbots of the Empire, demanding a Free Gift to the Emperor, each in Proportion to the Revenue he enjoys. Count *Julius Viſconti*, Viceroy of *Naples*, arriv'd here laſt Saturday; and Count *St. Germain*, Adjutant General to the late young Prince of *Savoy*, is alſo arrived from *Manheim*, with the Heart and Will of that Prince, both which he has deliver'd into the Hands of Prince *Eugene*. We are told, that an Aga is on the Road from *Conſtantinople*, to aſſure this Court of the ſincere Intentions of the *Ottoman* Port, and the earneſt Deſire the Grand Seignior has to obſerve the laſt Treaty concluded with the Auguſt Emperor of the *Romans*. It is ſaid that his *Imperial* Majeſty has deſir'd the King of *Pruſſia* to join ſome Thouſands of his Troops to the *Imperialiſts* who are to encamp near *Eger*, the Fortifications of which Place are to be ſpeedily augmented; and we believe that it is upon this Account that the General Veldt-Marſhal Prince *Wenceſlaus* of *Liechtenſtein* is to ſet out in a few Days for *Berlin*. The laſt Letters from our Army in *Italy* ſay, that the Enemy being ſo advantageouſly poſted to cover *Guaſtalla* and the *Parmezan*, and the Paſſages to thoſe Places being all laid under Water, Count *Konigsegg* thought fit to quit his Deſign on them, and repaſs the *Po* with a Part of his Troops; and that the Prince of *Saxe-Hilbourghauſen* had made an Irruption into the *Parmezan*, and had taken two Boats laden with Proviſions. As the Campaign is now at an End, we impatiently expect the Arrival of Count *Konigsegg*, and talk of Peace here wtih as much Aſſurance, as the Preparations for War are carried on with Vigour: It is even pretended, that a Plan has been hit upon for the Eſtabliſhment of the Tranquility of the North, to the mutual Satisfaction of all Parties. Two hundred thouſand Ducats have been ſent to the Army in *Italy*, and are to be followed by a hundred Bakers.

Dreſden, Dec. 25. The neceſſary Diſpoſitions are making in this Electorate for immediately ſending 12,000 Men to *Bohemia*, who are to be join'd there by an equal Number of *Imperialiſts*, and form a Camp between *Pilſen* and *Eger*: It is ſaid that theſe 24,000 Men are to cover *Bohemia* and *Saxony*, in caſe the *French* Army ſhould attempt to enter either of thoſe Countries the next Year; but are to file off towards *Bavaria* if the *French* go upon any other Project. King *Auguſtus* III. has left Commiſſaries here in his Abſence to look after all ſuſpected Perſons; and we have received Advice, that the Regency of *Dantzick* has ſubmitted to the King's Demand, to ſend two Deputies to *Warſaw*, to compliment his Majeſty as King of *Poland*, and to renew the Aſſurances of their Attachment to his Royal Perſon.

Copenhagen, Dec. 25. M. *de la Noue*, charged with the Affairs of *France*, having freighted the *Anna-Sophia*, lately return'd from the *Indies*, and another Veſſel called the *Poſtillion*, order'd them to ſail the 19th for *Dunkirk*, with 6000 of the *French* Troops arrived ſome Time ſince from *Nerva*; but they have been drove back to *Elſenor* by contrary Winds, and the reſt of thoſe wretched Troops remain ſtil in this City.

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